PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Christoph KIRCH, et al

Appln. No.: 09/831,272

Filed: August 13, 2001

CHIMERIC PROMOTERS CAPABLE OF MEDIATING GENE

EXPRESSION IN PLANTS UPON PATHOGEN INFECTION AND

USES THEREOF

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Responsive to the Notice of Non-Complaint Amendment dated April 19, 2005, Applicants resubmit herewith Amendment A with the proper status identifier of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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